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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 12-Feb-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 02/12/05	PREVIOUS WEEK 02/05/05
BRO-FRY	159,891	163,612
LT HENS	1,446	1,398
HVY HENS	1,254	1,309

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	WEEK ENDING 05-Feb-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	225	4	229
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	315	0	315
Same week yr ago	220	0	220
To-date/2005	1,628	4	1,632
To-date/2004	1,439	18	1,457

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,546	1,340	2,886
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,622	1,024	2,646
Same week yr ago	1,337	1,273	2,610
To-date/2005	8,803	6,271	15,074
To-date/2004	8,043	6,364	14,407

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 05-Feb-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	156,566	1,321	1,336	2,657
Avg Wt	5.35	3.32	8.09	5.72
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	157,768	1,307	1,024	2,331
Same wk yr ago	153,788	1,117	1,273	2,390
Avg Wt	5.22	3.07	8.25	5.83
To-date/2005	783,446	7,175	6,267	13,442
To-date/2004	768,502	6,604	6,346	12,950

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 162.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 158.5 million head or 4.0 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 29-Jan-05

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----		

Head	27,796	21,860	47,871
Avg Weight	3.70	4.77	6.42
% of total /1	29%	22%	49%
Last week	23,677	17,831	49,856
Avg Weight	3.76	4.64	6.31
% of total /1	26%	20%	55%
Same week, yr ago /2	21,246	19,681	39,011
Avg Weight	3.78	4.73	6.49
% of total /1	27%	25%	49%
To date/2005	100,886	80,560	189,377
To date/2004	81,888	78,520	153,682

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 05-Feb-05  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,483	2,574	38	1	4,096
Avg Wt	15.61	38.53	24.71	61.68	30.11
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,502	2,533	17	3	4,055
Same wk yr ago	1,669	2,403	9	16	4,097
Avg Wt	15.39	36.82	25.76	30.39	28.04
To-date/2005	7,794	12,654	163	24	20,635
To-date/2004	8,365	12,118	181	41	20,705

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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